

WOMAN'S SPHERE

New Wraps for the Winter.

GARMENTS ARE MADE UP IN ALL MATERIALS.

Dainty and Rich Effects Can be Obtained Without Lavish Expenditure of Money—Should Match or Tone with Gown in Color.

Picturesque, elegant, becoming, appropriate and new in every detail, the new winter wrap is a thing of beauty, of marked extravagance. And this latter, after all, depends much upon your own cleverness, for that untailored, draped effect, which the experienced home dressmaker knows is the easiest to obtain in cloak making, is perhaps the season's chief characteristic.

Materials, too, may depend upon the size of your pocketbook; there are many silky broadcloths with a substantial interlining to furnish the required degree of warmth, for it must be confessed that of this the present style of outer covering furnishes but a small portion.

Liberty satins and panne velvets are the materials most in vogue, lending their wonderful draping qualities to those interesting models in which, everybody is saying, the greatest courtiers of Paris have made their most marked successes. Not satisfied with the wealth of beauty in the material, the rich fashion of fur trimming is re-

vived, supplemented in many cases by bands of heavy lace threaded with gold or silver or tinted to match the very foundation that they cover. And in every case there is one or more of those quaint silk tassels, without which you can't be really French this winter. Hood effects lend themselves happily to the latter touch.

To crown all, the wrap matches, or at least tones with, your gown in color. A mode for the chosen few, it would seem; yet every one can at least sometimes be just right by deciding first on her very best evening gown and then getting the wrap to suit it.

Very few white wraps are worn, though a recent model of creamy velvet with a big brown fur collar and cuffs was an extremely distinguished combination.

As for shape, the Empire seems to have got confounded with the Japanese, giving us something that resembles a fantastic raglan and yet is radically unlike all three. But you may depend upon it that the body part is always Empire in its effect, the shoulder raglan in shape, with the sleeve flaring from it like a kimono sleeve, often falling in a short, loose bell-shape several inches above the elbow, over an undersleeve of lace lined with satin. This is very complicated, however, so the simpler method of gathering the top sleeve into a fur or lace cuff, which ends with a little butterfly bow of velvet just on the elbow, is most in favor.

Takes Fancy of Parisians.

Blouses of All Materials Popular in Gay Capital.

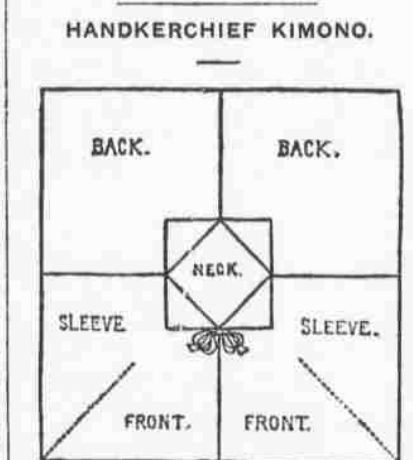
In spite of the persistence of the luxuriant lingerie waists, the heaviest and most pronounced of blouses are finding high favor. The new color of pinky red, called "rose scarlet," fashions the blouse that is being worn by the Parisienne. Carried out in the finished cloth it is made with undersleeves and gumpes of ivory net or linen lace, and in its most luxuriant form sports a finish of mink tail trimming at elbows and neck openings.

Chiffon velours, velvet in gay shades, and checked velvets, and especially velvets of all varieties of black lines and checks on soft creamy grounds are the most popular materials. Made with the same color of cream lace the black and white velvet, if the color is inter-mixed, makes among the most stunning of blouses.

One such waist, one of brilliant rose scarlet cloth, and a third which carries the newest idea of all complete a group of foreign made blouses ordered for a wedding outfit. This is in soft heliotrope satin finished with exactly matching a tailored long coat suit of cloth. The blouse is smocked, with slightly low cut throat around a white batiste chemise, and has a deep wrinkled girdle ending in a side sash of the same with deeply knotted fringe at the ends.

This side sash or girdle knotted at one side is the newest cry of fashion. As a girdle finish it gives a chance for knotting and tying laid away Roman scarfs and soft ribbons, banishing in part the made bow ribbons. Soft black Louise to match the black in-

roman scarf is the material filling out a cream lace blouse made by a New York artist. The black silk is put on bertha fashion and is cut low, meeting the sash and leaving a deep upper part of lace. The sash ends are knotted at one side of the front, and the whole is to be worn as a dinner waist with white lace or white cloth skirt.



Four handkerchiefs are all that are required for this dainty garment. Blue makes the prettiest. Here is a crude drawing that will show you just how to put together. There is one seam in the back and one on each shoulder. No cutting. You simply leave a half finger at each seam, which is turned down, and forms the neck. Then you start from the lower points in front and stitch up about half way. This forms the sleeves. These make inexpensive as well as pretty and useful gifts.

Some Ideas for the Hostess.

"What won't Molly think of next?" was the exclamation, when a little gray envelope fluttered into my desk. "Come to my party on Wednesday night, and wear your pet hobby, also state in your acceptance what is your favorite dish." Molly's hobby might have been recognized in the gray stationery with the red lettering which she used year in and year out. Well, this is what I found that night in the great living room where we all loved to assemble. Just the funniest conglomeration, the "eccentricities of genius personified" was how a clever girl expressed it.

There was the postage stamp field wearing a motley collection pasted on various parts of his clothing, even his face, hands and hair bore a sticker from some place. The girl was making silk quilts out of her party gowns and those of her friends was arrayed in a costume by side of which Joseph's historical coat of many colors would have looked a sad and somber garment. Bugs, butterflies, toads and lizards played in most lifelike attitudes over the clothing of the naturalist of the crowd, and the girl who went in for physical culture wore a necklace of miniature Indian clubs and dumb bells. Of course the camera crank went around trying to "take" everybody, and the

autograph collector was on hand with book and pencil. One girl wore a doll's cup and saucer on a long chain, and there were numerous spoons worn as hair ornaments, showing the fad of the wearers.

One of the drollest figures was the man devoted to making hand-made furniture; he had a set of doll's chairs, table and bed, which he had in a basket and insisted upon showing every one how perfectly they were constructed. Altogether, it was a most amusing party.

When refreshments were served it was seen how the hostess had endeavored to cater to the likes of her guests.

For the Ladies' Cards.
"Happy have we met, happy have we been,
Happy may we part, and happy meet again."

"What fates impose
The men must needs abide."

"I have no parting sign to give,
So take my parting smile."

"Press nobly on."

MADAME MERRIL

Ways of Dressing the Hair.

Elaborate Coiffures Sometimes Make Additions Necessary.

In these days when a woman "does" her hair she is likely to pin into it some tresses that did not originally grow there, for the use of too hot irons in waving has most likely made have with her own hair, besides which the elaborate hairdressing now in use requires more hair than the average head possesses.

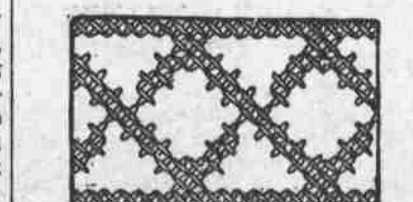
An attractive coiffure is made by breaking the pompadour into a part, pinning here bunch of curls to hang over the forehead, then in back arranging the combination of a figure eight known as the basket puff and pinning two or three small curls at the bottom.

Pompadours are now marcelled into a pointed shape above the forehead. With this pointed effect a succession of puffs reaching from the crown of the head to the nape of the neck looks well. So does the high coronet braid coiffure which is par-

ticularly good for a small woman and extra chic if set off with several little curls at the side.

Basket puffs are an arrangement of the figure eight made by twisting the strands and are quite the most effective new fashion of doing the hair.

Border: Cross-Stitch.



A simple, effective border this that may be used for ornamenting a variety of articles, such as towel ends, dresser cloths, sideboard cloths, etc. Ingrain cotton, being used according to the foundation to ornamented.

AT HOME IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Yankee Cop, Bandmaster and Coachman Entertain a Visitor.

"You are not always in a foreign country when you are out of the United States," said a man who was exchanging experiences with a New Orleans Picayune writer.

"I was held up in a Nova Scotia coast town one evening, awaiting the arrival of a belated steamer. The only attraction in the place was an open-air concert by the town band, and I strolled out to kill time. The members of the band wore the red uniform and the British colors were suspended from the front of the stand.

"I took my seat on a fence near by. Just as I got myself well balanced a cop came and courteously informed me that the fence was private property and that I would have to climb down. I obeyed orders.

"While waiting for the music I chatted with the cop. The band got busy and played several numbers, all foreign airs.

"When I asked the cop if he knew the leader, he said he did. I asked him to butt in and tell the leader that an American was in the crowd, and that he would like to hear something from home.

"The leader obliged and the band rendered 'Old Black Joe,' 'Maryland,' 'Swanee River,' 'Nelly Gray,' 'Yankee Doodle,' 'Dixie,' and wound up with the 'Star-Spangled Banner.' The multitude applauded and I made as much noise as was desirable.

"While the band was playing this pot-pourri the cop asked:

"Where are you from? When I told him he said: 'You can get up on the fence if you won't stay too long. I'm from the United States myself.'

"I gave him a cigar and we got chummy.

"I told him to thank the leader for me and tell him he had made me feel as if I was not far from home.

"I guess he knows how it is himself," said the cop. "He's from the states, too. He lives in Boston and comes over here in the summer to give the band lessons. He told me once that although all the members were Canucks they learned American airs quicker than any other."

"After that concert I took a seat in a conveyance that took me back to my hotel. It was crowded and I sat beside the driver. He was very polite and I asked him if he was a blue nose. "Not by a long shot," he replied. "I come from Woonsocket, R. I. I'm up here to skin these Canucks and I'm doing it all right."

"Then, indeed, I felt as if I was not far from home."

Proper Care of a Pipe.

To obtain the best results from a briar pipe and increase the pleasure of smoking, the following hints will be found of value: Fill the pipe well, light the tobacco evenly and smoke slowly. This will avoid excessive heating of the wood and will prevent it from burning. See that the tobacco is entirely consumed, so that the cake may form all over the inside of the bowl. Do not fill a new pipe until it has cooled off. Remove the cake which forms inside of the bowl frequently, as if the cake is allowed to become too thick it will split the bowl, because when heated the cake expands more rapidly than the wood. When the cake has been scraped away the same care should be taken as with a new pipe. Always keep your pipe clean; this will prevent it from getting strong. Best of all, keep several pipes in use and change frequently.

It is no easy task to give direction that will insure the life and coloring of every meerschaum pipe. Much depends on the quality of the material, as also on the care exercised by the smoker. Always smoke slowly. Use a meerschaum button. Allow the pipe to cool before refilling. Keep the hands away from the bowl while it is hot. Use a top bowl if the smoker desires to color the pipe to the top. Avoid smoking the pipe out of doors in rainy or extremely cold weather. Uncover the mouthpiece only when necessary; that is, when the pipe is clogged and needs cleaning. Use a knife with a rounded edge when it becomes necessary to remove the caking in the bowl.

It Made a Difference.

"Well, gentlemen, what can I do for you today?" queried the colonel as he entered his office after a brief absence and found three farmer-looking men in possession.

"We are a committee from the county fair," explained one, "and we want to see about the address. You make 'em, don't you?"

"O, certainly."

"What's your finger?"

"I delivered two country fair addresses last fall and received \$50 each."

"Um. Too high."

"There was no fault found with my prices last year. It takes time to prepare one, you know, and then I must journey down and deliver it. The figure I named is a very reasonable one."

"Look here, colonel," said the chairman of the committee after considering a bit, "have you got one of your own addresses on hand?"

"I believe so."

"And can't you put 'er in for \$25?"

"But some one might get on to it."

"We'll take all the chances of that. All the people who will listen to you will be old Mrs. Casey, who is deaf as a post, and old Jim Shaw, who will take it for Fourth of July oration, anyhow, and you won't run the slightest risk. Won't this make a difference in your fingers?"

The colonel blushed and stammered and said he thought it would and when the committee left they had his receipt for \$30 and he agreed to be on time.

He Could Not Understand.

Laura B. Payne, of Fort Worth, during her Socialist campaign for the house of representatives, said in an address on masculine limitations:

"Then there was a college professor, a very learned man, who shouted at his wife one day in an enraged voice:

"I don't know what to make of you, Maria. Five years ago you were crazy to have that hat, and now, when at last I've gone and bought it for you you say you don't like it at all."

Our Pattern Department

A PRETTY TUCKED BLOUSE.



Pattern No. 5643.—This dainty lingerie blouse is one of the most attractive of the season. The style is generally becoming, but particularly so to the slender woman, as the deep plait at the shoulder gives width to the figure, and lends additional fullness in front. The arrangement of the tucks in vest effect leaves a space in front, thus affording a fine bit of handwork, or a pretty design in lace. If the elbow sleeves are desired the pattern provides for full length sleeves finished by deep cuffs. As shown in the illustration, white china silk was used, trimmed with narrow Valenciennes insertion; but several materials are adaptable such as mull, dimity, organdy, batiste and taffeta silk. For 36 inches bust measure three and one-fourth yards of 27-inch material will be required. Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

This pattern will be sent to you on receipt of 10 cents. Address all orders to the Pattern Department of this paper. Be sure to give size and number of pattern wanted. For convenience, write your order on the following coupon:

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SIZE.....
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A STYLISH BLOUSE.



Pattern No. 5712.—A stylish blouse waist that possesses good style is here shown in a smart development of plaid taffeta silk. Deep tucks at the shoulders give the breast effect so desirable to present style, and a round turn-over collar completes the neck. Straight cuffs are used on the full length short sleeves, while those in shorter length are prettier finished by turned back flaring cuffs. Cashmere, silk, linen and madras are all suitable for the making. For 36 inches bust measure three yards of 36-inch material will be required. Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40 and 42 inches bust measure.

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Value of Rural Telephone.

The telephone is the only protection a good many rural communities have against fire and crime, and it has proved a very effective one. Few towns or villages have adequate fire fighting apparatus or can afford an alarm system, and in the old days when a cloud of smoke or a glow of flames against the sky gave the first signs of threatened destruction a farmer's buildings might be burned to the ground before help enough to do any good could reach him.

Now if a fire starts anywhere along a rural telephone line the nearest subscriber calls central up and tells her what has happened. She notifies all the neighbors, those on other lines as well as those nearest to the scene of trouble. In many towns of considerable size the telephone has been organized into a regular fire alarm system, and a factory bell or whistle is used to give the code signals.

A Problem in Life.

They had met in the subway and in the interval of passing a few stations had fallen to talking of a lovely woman friend who had died.

"How did she die? Do you know?" he asked.

"She nursed a little niece through an infectious disease, and then took it herself and died of it," said she.

"A strange Providence," he mused, sadly. "She, lovely, gracious, charming, everything to live for and a blessing to her friends, to die in order that a child might live. A strange and unaccountable Providence!"—N. Y. Press.

THE PROGRESS OF THE CANADIAN WEST.

Nearly 200,000 of an Increase in Canada's Immigration in 1906.

The progress of a new country cannot be better ascertained than by noting the increase of railroad mileage in its transportation system, and, judged by this standard, the Canadian West leads all the countries in the world during the current year. Thirty years ago there was not one hundred miles of railroad west of the Great Lakes, and very little prospect of a trans-continental route for many years to come, but by the end of 1885 the Canadian Pacific Railway was within measurable distance of completion, and last year—twenty years later—over 6,000 miles of railroad traversed the provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

In the past year the work of railroad construction has been vigorously prosecuted, and by the end of 1906, some 5,000 miles of completed railroad has been added, making a total of fully 11,000 miles in the three great grain producing provinces of Canada. Such an increase in the transportation facilities of the country is bound to make good times not only in the districts where the railroads are being built, but throughout the entire west. Allowing \$20,000 a mile for construction, the sum of \$100,000,000 will be put in circulation, and this in itself should cause good times to prevail in a land where work is plentiful, wages are high, and the cost of living is moderate.

But the building of new railroads through Western Canada means a greater benefit to the country than merely the money put in circulation by the cost of construction. Additional railway building means the opening of new agricultural districts and an additional area under crops; a largely increased output of grain to foreign markets with consequent financial returns; the erection of elevators and the growth of villages, towns and cities; and everything else that makes for the progress of national life, and the opening up of additional thousands of free homesteads, so extensively advertised by the Canadian government agent, whose address appears elsewhere.

It was stated on the floor of the Canadian Parliament recently by a prominent representative that ten years from now would see the bulk of the population of Canada residing west of the Great Lakes, and if the work of railway building during the present year is any criterion, the prophecy made by the Canadian statesman may be easily fulfilled inside of the time stated. During the present year no less than 189,064 persons have found homes in the Canadian west, of whom 57,796 were Americans who have seen the great possibilities of this new West, and have decided to cast in their lot with it. Certainly, our neighbor north of the 49th parallel is making a great record, and deserves the success that appears to be coming its way.

Rothschilds Never Prosecute.

While the Bank of England makes it a point never under any circumstances to relinquish the prosecution of those who have defrauded it in the slightest degree, being willing, if need be, to spend thousands of pounds to capture and prosecute people who have robbed it of even a few shillings, the Rothschilds make it a rule never to appeal to the courts or to the police on such matters. Of course, they are, like every other banker, occasionally the victims of dishonesty, but neither the police nor the public ever hear about the matter. This has always been a principle of the heads of the house, who take the ground that it is better to bear the loss in silence than to disturb popular confidence in the safety of the concern by allowing it to be seen that its treasures are not adequately safeguarded.

Master of Many Languages.

Gen. Picquart, French minister of war, is a sort of Admiral Crichton, for, besides a wide general cultivation, he reads, writes and speaks Russian, German and English and Italian. Such knowledge of language is not common with Frenchmen, even those of education, but Gen. Picquart's facility is explained, perhaps, by the fact that he is an Alsatian. The Alsations have long been noted in France for their readiness with which they acquire languages.

Strangely Mounted.

The strangest military body in the world is a band of cavalry at Saint de Moorway, a province on the east coast of Africa, which is under the rule of the French governor general at Madagascar. These soldiers go about their military operations on oxen. The animals are lean creatures, and it is said they move with surprising rapidity.

CRIED EASILY.

Nervous Woman Stopped Coffee and Quit Other Things.

No better practical proof that coffee is a drug can be required than to note how the nerves become unstrung in women who habitually drink it. The stomach, too, rebels at being continually drugged with coffee and tea—they both contain the drug—caffeine. Ask your doctor.

An Ia. woman tells the old story thus:

"I had used coffee for six years and was troubled with headaches, nervousness and dizziness. In the morning upon rising I used to belch up a sour fluid regularly."

"Often I got so nervous and miserable I would cry without the least reason, and I noticed my eyesight was getting poor."

"After using Postum a while, I observed the headaches stopped and the belching of sour fluid stopped (water brash from dyspepsia). I feel decidedly different now, and I am convinced that it is because I stopped coffee and began to use Postum. I can see better now, my eyes are stronger."

"A friend of mine did not like Postum but when I told her to make like it she said on the package, she liked it all right." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Always boil Postum well and it will surprise you.

Read the little book "The Road to Wellville" in pgs. "There's a reason."

MONKS FIRST PLAYED DOMINOES

Origin of Game That is Popular the World Over.

With regard to the game of dominoes there is a very interesting story connected with its origin. It runs thus: There were two monks who had been committed to the penalty of a long seclusion and were condemned to keep absolute silence. To relieve the monotony they played a game by showing each other small flat stones marked with black dots. By a well-understood arrangement, the monk whose hand was used at first informed the other player by repeating in an undertone the first line of the vesper hymn, "Cantate Domino" (Sing unto the Lord). In time the monks completed the set of stones and formulated the rules of the game, so that by the time they were free to come out from their punishment they had found the game so interesting that on teaching it to the other members of the monastery it became a favorite and lawful pastime. It soon became popular all through Italy and from there extended to the whole world. The first line of the vesper hymn which the monks had used as a signal was reduced to the word domino, and the name has stuck to the game ever since.

ODELL OBEYED HIS FATHER.

Emphatic Message That Broke Up Conference of Politicians.

Four years ago, when ex-Gov. Odell, of New York, was coming up for a re-nomination at the convention in Saratoga, there was a plan to put a man on the ticket with him for lieutenant governor to whom Odell objected strongly. The governor's father, 88 years old, a deacon in the church and very strict in religious matters, was in Saratoga. There was a conference at one of the hotel cottages that lasted until late in the morning. The other leaders were trying to force Odell to take the obnoxious man.

About two o'clock Odell's father, who had heard what was going on, stalked angrily over to the cottage and rapped on the door. Frank Platt, son of Senator Platt, came to the door.

"Well?" said Platt sharply.

"I want to see my son," demanded Odell.

The governor came to the door.

"What is it, father?" he asked.

"Ben," said the old deacon, "tell them to go to—"

"Yes, father," replied the governor obediently, and he went back and did just that.—Saturday Evening Post.

ELEVEN YEARS OF ECZEMA.

Hands Cracked and Bleeding—Nail Came Off of Finger—Cuticura Remedies Brought Prompt Relief.

"I had eczema on my hands for about eleven years. The hands cracked open in many places and bled. One of my fingers was so bad that the nail came off. I had often heard of cures by the Cuticura Remedies, but had no confidence in them as I had tried so many remedies, and they all had failed to cure me. I had seen three doctors, but got no relief. Finally my husband said that we would try the Cuticura Remedies, so we got a cake of Cuticura Soap, a box of Cuticura Ointment, and two bottles of Cuticura Resolvent Pills. Of course I kept Cuticura Soap all the time for my hands, but the one cake of Soap and half a box of Cuticura Ointment cured them. It is surely a blessing for me to have my hands well, and I am very proud of having tried Cuticura Remedies, and recommend them to all suffering with eczema. Mrs. Eliza A. Wiley, R. F. D. No. 2, Liscomb, Iowa, Oct. 18, 1906."

JAP YOUTH ON SCHOOLSHIP.

Will Get Thorough Training on an American Boat.

The first Japanese youth to be admitted to the crew of the schoolship St. Mary's is Katzen Artyoshi. Artyoshi, who is 17 years old, has been in the revenue cutter service on the Pacific for the last three years.

As it is necessary for all foreigners who wish to become members of the schoolship's crew to have a guardian, Artyoshi was forced to get one before he could be admitted to the crew. He succeeded in getting Capt. Osborn to act in that capacity. Capt. Osborn will coach the boy along and help him over the hard points in his lessons.

Artyoshi has not made up his mind yet whether he will remain in this country or go home to Japan after he has been graduated from the schoolship. A term on the schoolship fits a boy for service in the merchant marine. Artyoshi says he likes the United States and may stay here, but if Japan ever goes to war he will return home quickly as possible to take part in it.

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They are counted roads on all sides to the grave.—Clairo

Perfectly simple and simply perfect in dyeing with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES. 10c per package.

Villains invariably get what is coming to them—on the stage.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Drug-store refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVER'S signature is on each box. 25c.

The Language of Commerce.

Great Britain and her colonies and the United States represent together the fabulous total of 111,000,000 English-speaking persons, figures which leave all competitors hopelessly in the rear. Germany and Russia occupy